Reminders for Completing the FY 2019 Performance Data Form: Module 1 (Grantee Survey)

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Welcome

Purpose of This Webinar

- To provide a brief refresher on the requirements for the LIHEAP Performance Data Form – Module 1 (Grantee Survey).
- To provide LIHEAP Coordinators and staff with key reminders.

Audience for This Webinar

- Coordinators who have previously completed the Grantee Survey.
- Fiscal staff and other staff that assist with completing the Grantee Survey.

Webinar Overview

Structure of The Webinar

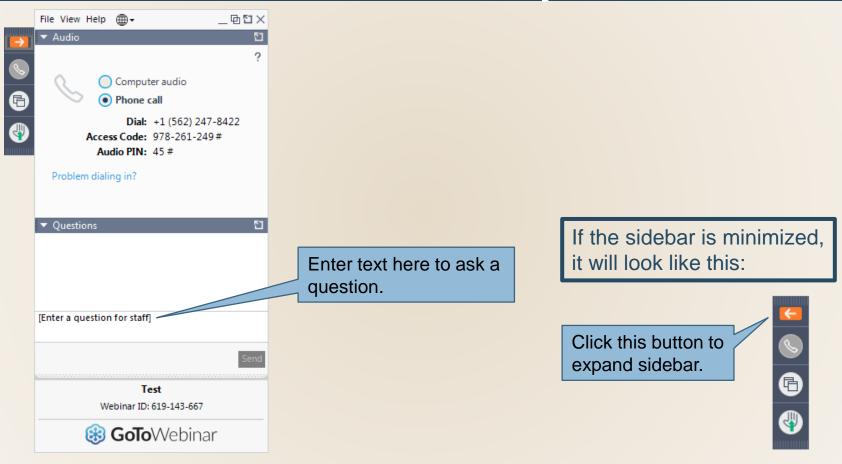
- 30 minutes to review key information.
- Slides available for download now under "Handouts" in the GoToWebinar Sidebar.
- The webinar is being recorded and will be published on the ACF YouTube channel.

Have a question?

- You are encouraged to ask questions as you have them by typing them into the GoToWebinar "Question" box.
- Submitted questions will be reviewed and responded to at the end of the webinar or via an e-mail from APPRISE.

Before We Begin

What Questions Do You Have on Completing the Grantee Survey?



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Presentation Outline

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Overview of the LIHEAP Performance Data Form

- The Performance Data Form is an annual report that all state grantees and the District of Columbia must submit to HHS.
- Module 1 (the Grantee Survey) allows OCS to report information to Congress about the sources and uses of LIHEAP funds.
- There are <u>no changes</u> to the FY 2019 Performance Data Form. The requirements are the same as those for the FY 2019 Performance Data Report.
- Grantees can review the prior instructions for reporting each item in the Performance Data Form:

https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/resource/liheap-action-transmittal-2019-01-performance-data-form-for-fiscal-year-2018

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Reminders of Reporting Rules for Module 1 (Grantee Survey)



Reminders of Reporting Rules

- Grantees should...
 - 1. Report data according to the official instructions.
 - Furnish information for the appropriate fiscal year reporting period.
 - 3. Provide a consistent report where total sources of funds equals total uses of funds.
 - Explain any unique program features or nuances in the "Notes" section.

Data Validation and Checks



Data Validations and Checks OLDC Messages and Review Process

Checks in OLDC Prior to Submission

- Validation checks are programmed into OLDC, and a warning or error message will appear if a check fails. Please review these before you submit.
 - Warning Messages indicate data that may be correct, but require confirmation and additional explanation in the "Notes" section of the form.
 - <u>Fatal Error Messages</u> indicate inconsistent data that must be corrected before grantees are able to submit their report in OLDC.

Checks After You Submit

- APPRISE checks data following submission in OLDC and will e-mail grantees to alert them to any issues or questions based on their review.
- When your report is confirmed as complete, your liaison will accept it in OLDC.
- If you later identify a correction or change is needed, you will need to submit a revision in OLDC.

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Data Validations and Checks APPRISE Review

- APPRISE checks data in Module 1 (Grantee Survey) following submission in OLDC.
- Three types of checks:
 - 1. Internal consistency checks within the Grantee Survey
 - Example = Do your total sources of funds equal your total uses of funds?

2. Comparing to the Model Plan

• Example = Does the Maximum Annual Dollar Income for 4-Person Household that you report for each type of assistance match the eligibility standard specified in your Model Plan?

3. Comparing to Other Reports

• Example = Did you report a carryover amount to FY 2020 consistent with the amount your reported in your FY2019 Carryover and Reallotment Report?

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Common Reporting Issues & Reminders



Common Reporting Issues

Reminder #1 – Report Obligations, Not Expenditures

- Section IV asks grantees to report on the <u>uses of the LIHEAP funding</u> that was available to your state in FY 2019.
- Uses of Funds should include...
 - <u>All</u> funds/awards that were <u>obligated</u> for use in LIHEAP during Federal Fiscal Year 2019 (October 1, 2018 September 30, 2019).
 - The term "obligation" is as each state defines it. In some cases, obligated funds are not actually expended until after the end of the Fiscal Year.
- Uses of funds should <u>NOT</u> include...
 - Funds that were not obligated by the end of FY 2019 and will be returned to OCS.
 - Funds that were obligated in FY 2018, even if they were expended during FY 2019.

Common Reporting Issues

Reminder #2 – Consistency with Model Plan & Household Report

- If you reported assisting households with a type of assistance in your Household Report, you should be able to report the following for that type of assistance in your Grantee Survey:
 - Total Funds Obligated for that Assistance in FY 2019
 - Average Household Benefit
 - Maximum Annual Dollar Income for a 4-Person Household
- The Maximum Annual Dollar Income amount should be consistent with the standard you specified for eligibility in your Model Plan.
- Include notes to explain any nuances.

Common Reporting Issues Reminder #3 – Reporting Carryover Amounts

- What are "carried over" funds?
 - The LIHEAP statute allows states to carry over up to 10 percent of funds payable to the state for a fiscal year for obligation in the following fiscal year.
- What do I need to report?
 - The FY 2019 Grantee Survey requires you to report <u>two different carryover</u> <u>amounts</u>:
 - 1) In the "Estimated Sources of LIHEAP Funds" section:
 - Funds Carried Over from the Previous Fiscal Year (e.g. from FY 2018)
 - 2) In the "Estimated Uses of LIHEAP Funds" section:
 - Unobligated Funds Carried Over to the Next Fiscal Year (e.g. to FY 2020)

Common Reporting Issues Reminder #3 – Reporting Carryover Amounts

1. Funds Carried Over from the Previous Fiscal Year

- This is reported in Line 6 of Section III "Estimated Sources of LIHEAP Funds".
- This field should include all unobligated FY 2018 funds carried over for obligation into FY 2019.
- This field is <u>pre-populated</u> by OCS using your prior year FY 2018 report.
- States should check the pre-populated amount and edit it if necessary to reflect the estimated amount of funds carried into FY 2019.
 - If you update Line 6, the OLDC system will provide a warning to alert you that your amount is now different from your prior FY 2018 report. Please include a note indicating you confirmed the amount you are reporting is correct.
 - If you update Line 6, you do <u>not</u> need to revise your prior submitted FY 2018 reports.

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Common Reporting Issues Reminder #3 – Reporting Carryover Amounts

2. Unobligated Funds Carried Over to the Next Fiscal Year

- This is reported in Line 7 of Section IV "Estimated Uses of LIHEAP Funds"
- This field should include all FY 2019 funds that were <u>not</u> obligated and were carried over to FY 2020.
- States should provide their best estimate of their carryover amount at the time the Grantee Survey is completed.
 - If the carryover amount you report in Line 7 does <u>not</u> match the carryover amount reported in the FY 2019 Carryover & Re-allotment Report, <u>you must submit a revision to the FY 2019 Carryover & Reallotment Report with the correct amount</u>.

FY 2019 Grantee Survey Reporting Reminders Cheat Sheet

Here are key reminders for you and your staff to successfully complete the FY 2019 Grantee Survey.

- 1. Report <u>obligations</u> of funds. Remember to report how funds available in FY 2019 were obligated by your state. Do not include funds obligated before FY 2019.
- 2. Report on <u>all</u> types of assistance you provided. If your report differs from what was indicated in your FY 2019 Model Plan or FY 2019 Household Report, please explain this in the notes.
- 3. Report <u>carryover amounts</u>. Report your carryover amounts estimated at the time you complete the report.
- 4. Confirm that your total sources of funds equals your total uses of funds. You should report on all funds available and how those funds were obligated.
- 5. Add notes to explain unique program features or provide responses to OLDC warning messages. Notes help with understanding the report and minimizing report follow-up.

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Final Reminders



Final Reminders FY 2019 Report Status and Deadline

- There are <u>no changes</u> to the FY 2019 Performance Data Form. The requirements remain the same as those for last year's FY 2018 Form.
- The FY 2019 Performance Data Form is due in OLDC on January 31, 2020. This includes Module 1 (Grantee Survey) and Module 2 (Performance Measures).
- Remember that the Performance Data Form must be:
 - Entered in OLDC
 - Saved in OLDC
 - Certified by the appropriate person
 - Submitted by the appropriate person

Final Reminders OLDC Resources

- OLDC is accessed through Grant Solutions.
- Log-in to Grant Solutions at https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs
- Once logged in, click "OLDC" in the top taskbar to access the OLDC homepage.
- If you need assistance, please contact Grants Center Of Excellence Systems Help Desk:
 - (202) 401-5282 or (866) 577-0771
 - help@grantsolutions.gov

Upcoming Training for the LIHEAP Performance Data Form

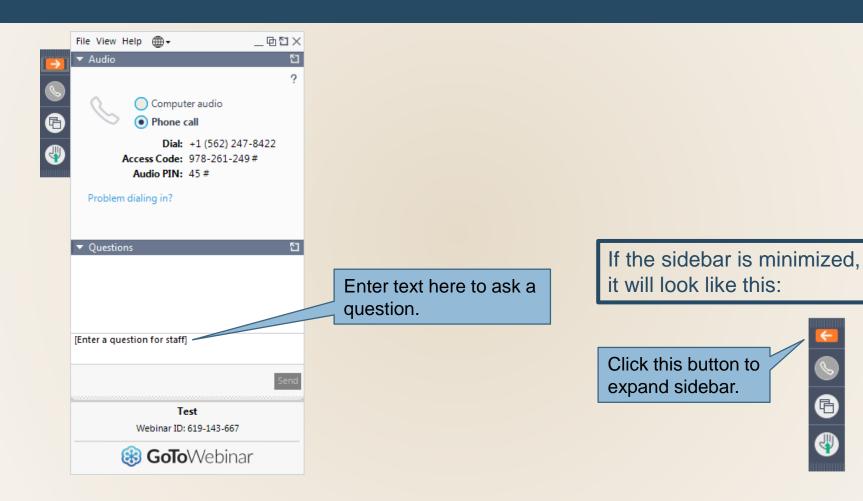
- This is the third of four webinars on completing the LIHEAP Performance Data Form.
 - Upcoming Additional Webinar:
 - Webinar #4: Reminders for Completing Modules 2 & 3
 (Performance Measures) Monday January 21 at 3 PM ET

Final Reminders Support Resources

- OCS liaisons
 - http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/resource/division-of-energy-assistance-federal-staff
- Grants Center Of Excellence systems Help Desk
 - help@grantsolutions.gov
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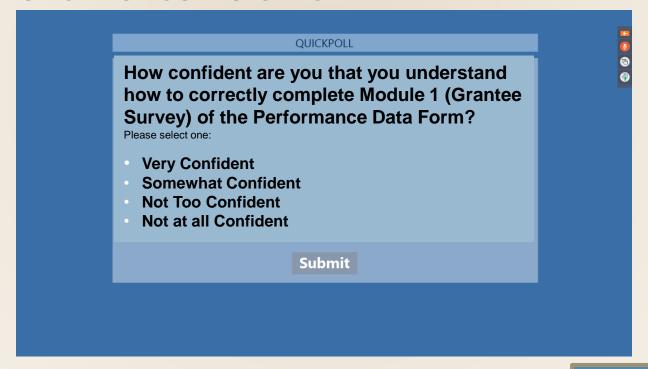


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Audience Poll Question #1

 How confident are you that you understand how to correctly complete Module 1 (Grantee Survey) of the Performance Data Form?



Audience Poll Question

Review Audience Responses